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From the Oval Office

By Susan Swiderski, AF4FO, GARS President

Hello, Everybody! As the summer is drawing to an end, hope that inevitable influx of fall energy is starting to get you all pumped up to tackle a whole pile of new and re-newed activities. (And I hope that you can spare just a little of that energy on some of GARS' upcoming activities.)

Those of you who are on the GARS e-groups list may remember when Andrea, KG4IUM, posted a question on there last



year for a school project she was doing on pie charts. She listed a number of really good choices, and then asked everyone to pick their #1 favorite thing about ham radio. Though I never heard the official results, everyone I asked gave the same

answer as I: the PEOPLE. And that isn't at all surprising, is it? It's like the AJC's *Technobuddy*, Bill Husted, says: "In the amateur radio fraternity, there are no strangers." In our own club's bylaws, it states that our objectives are, among other things, "the maintenance of fraternalism and a high standard of conduct among radio amateurs." It further adds that it shall be GARS policy to "support other amateur radio groups with kindred objectives."

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GARS and Gwinnett ARES Members having a great time at the 14th Annual Buford 5K Run

See the story and pictures from the most recent Amateur Radio Public Service Event on page 4.

THE GARZETTE

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Maritime Mobile Service Net

By Barry Zoll, N1TOQ

Does the picture below overlooking Beverly Massachusetts Harbor make you yearn to be near the ocean? Well, if you can't be there, tune in to the Maritime Mobile Service Net on 14.300 each day to hear all the action at sea. The net runs most of the day and the times and details are at www.mmsn.org.

Bon Voyage!



Items for Sale

- Kenwood TS440S transceiver
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- Desk for mike and headphones
- Mini-products HQ-1 Hybrid-Quad antenna
- Hygain 3 Band 2 Element Model TH2MKS beam antenna
- Telex Hy-gain 14AVQ/WB vertical antenna

All the equipment is in good condition. The equipment has been used to contact many of my 282 different countries and islands via DX.

Contact Paul Gericke KR4RG at 770-381-9658.

From the Oval Office

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With all of these things in mind, the executive committee has unanimously approved the sharing of two of our repeater sites with other radio clubs. We've already been sharing the Snellville site with the East Atlanta LAN group for the past 5 years, and using the agreement that Larry, WT4XX, drew up for that transaction as a model, Eddie, WD4JEM, drafted an updated agreement for sharing the Goshen site with the Atlanta Radio Club and the Bogan Road site with MATPARC. Rest assured that this in NO WAY endangers our agreement with the county. What's more, Eddie has done an excellent job of writing an agreement that both protects our club's interests and promotes friendship and fraternity with these like-minded fellow clubs. Expressing high ideals in our club bylaws is terrific, but it's far better to actually demonstrate them by our actions, to both talk the talk AND walk the walk. This is a win-win decision, and I hope you're as proud of it as I am.

One of my shortcomings is that I tend to stick my neck out from time to time and then take it on faith that everything will work out

just fine in the end. Usually, it does, and with your help, it will this time, too. I'm talking about our first (and hopefully, not LAST!) venture into hosting a ham auction on October 20 in the EAA hangar at Briscoe Field airport On Highway 316 in Lawrenceville. If you have any old radio gear or such that's suitable for auction, you could either donate it outright to the club (and get a receipt for tax purposes, of course) or you could have it auctioned for you, in which case you'd receive 90% of the money, while the other 10% would go to the GARS scholarship fund.

Ron, WE5O, has a terrific idea about putting together "grab bags" to sell, in addition to the auction. He suggested that everyone clean out their "junk" boxes and pull out duplicate parts (like variable condensers, capacitors, switches, chassis, electric cords, resistors,

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Buford 5K Run Event

By: Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM

On Saturday, August 1st, myself and a handful of other hams participated in and volunteered for a very fun event, the Buford 5K run. There were about 250 runners and walkers, ages 6 to 78. Participants ran or walked 4 miles.

All the amateur radio volunteers met at Huddle House for breakfast at 7:30 A.M. We all ate a quick breakfast while getting our assignments. Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM rode in the lead car, Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI, and Eddie Foust, WD4JEM, rode their bicycles behind and in the middle of the pack. Lou Jr., N4WWU, was the start/finish communications, and Larry Tews, N8IAA was stationed at the 2 mile split. Lou, NY4F, was stationed at turn 5. Wayne Chapman, KG5WU, was stationed at the middle school, and Bill Van Duynhoven, KE4TVA, was stationed at the 1 mile split.

Start/Finish and lead car stations had the most traffic, and others had some traffic. The majority of the traffic passed was the coordinator, Bryant Green asking questions by relay, i.e.: Is the water ready for the runners at the water station? We never had to pass any emergency traffic.

At the end of the race, we all met up and watched part of the awards ceremony, where they handed out trophies to the oldest and youngest runners, winners, etc. All the ham radio volunteers received bags with a 5K Run T-shirt, two water bottles, two ½ off Lake Lanier Island coupons, a McDonald french-fry coupon, a Sports Shoe magnet, and a map of the course.

GARS was well represented by all of the volunteers. The coordinator of the race, Bryant Green, was deeply appreciative of the efforts of the volunteers. GARS, the spirit of community service, and Amateur radio as a whole was well represented at the event – great job!

I think everyone had a great time helping out, watching the runners, watching the awards ceremony, watching the proud family members, and watching all the commotion. (I know I did!) Everything went very smoothly, with no injuries as far as I know, and it was nice and quick, so that people could do other things that day. Overall, it was a very successful event!



GWINNETT AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**August Meeting Minutes**

August 16, 2001

Submitted by Sharon Carter, KG4HKO

President Susan Swiderski, AF4FO, opened the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Introduction of officers: Susan AF4FO, president; Sid K4SID, vice president; Dan KF4YSU, treasurer; Bill AB0KF, activities manager; and Sharon, KG4HKO, secretary.

The following visitors were introduced Ross KG4OJP, Adolpho, KG4RJN, Larry W4QEJ (tonight's guest speaker), Chuck KC4CC, followed by general introductions.

Carol made announced the following public relations items: Tech class flyer -- starts next week -- Win Jackson teaching, Jr GARS meeting 1st Tues of Sept 4 ages 10-18. Elmers were asked to wear tags to ID

Tybee Island -- NFARL -- lighthouse on the air 1st time -- Susan, Mike, Harry -- Int'l Lighthouse on the Air coming next week, sponsored by Amateur Radio Lighthouse Service

Treasurer's and Secretary's reports were approved as presented

Special Events

Field Day -- report

VP -- no report

Membership -- visitor sign-in, membership applications made avail.

Apparel -- forms, 3 Field Day t-shirts

ARES -- encouraging membership -- pagers for \$35 no monthly air time, pages

from our group, severe weather alerts -- meet 2nd Tues each month (unless in same week as GARS)

FUND RAISER: Dog Show -- weekend of Aug. 24-26, split proceeds with GARS -- Lawrenceville, Suwannee Mountain, and N Fulton Kennel Clubs

Boy Scouts -- Oct 13 -- Sandy Creek Park in Athens -- GoldRush 2001 K2BSA amateur station -- need volunteer operators/ assistants. Venture Crew will be in attendance

Repeater Manager -- shared site-use agreements -- Goshen (ARL) and Bogan (MATPARC) locations, 2-meter repeaters. Users responsible for any interference problems. Goshen site -- painting tower, new feed line when antennas go back up.

GARS Auction -- Oct 20 -- EAA hangar at Briscoe Field, bidding @ 11:00 AM, set-up before.

Unsung Hero -- Helps with antenna problems, visiting and transportation -- W4ADE, ADE

Special Welcome to Kevin -- expecting new child.

Program -- Receiver selectivity - Larry W4QEJ

Attendance: 46 members 7 guests

Meeting adjourned at 9:43 PM

Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

First Tuesday

Metro Atlanta Telephone Pioneers

Old Hickory House
5490 Chamblee/Dunwoody Rd, Dunwoody
Dutch dinner is at 6:30 PM, followed by meeting.
Talk In 145.410(-)

Kennehoochee ARC

First United Methodist Church in Marietta
Meeting begins at 7:30 PM
Talk In 146.880(-)

First Thursday

Atlanta Radio Club

American Red Cross Building, Lindberg Plaza
Meeting is at 7:30 PM
Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC

Jefferson Civic Center
Off of Memorial Dr. toward Winder from
Jefferson
Meeting is at 6:30 PM
Talk In - 147.225(+)

North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Shoney's Restaurant
Holcomb Bridge Road at grimes Bridge Road
Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 145.47(-)

Second Thursday

Alford Memorial Radio Club

Killian Hall, Killian Hill Road
Lilburn
Dinner at 6:00 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 146.760(-)

Second Saturday

East Atlanta LAN

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
Dunwoody
Meeting is at 10:00 AM
Talk In - 145.410(-) and 443.025(+)

Third THURSDAY



Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society

Central Baptist Church
Gwinnett Drive
Lawrenceville
Meeting begins at 7:30 PM in the fellowship hall.
Talk In -147.075(+) and 444.525(+)



Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions.

First Sunday

WCARS VEC
2:00 PM
(Except July and September)
Johnson High School
3305 Poplar Springs RD, Gainesville
Terry Jones, W4TL (770)967-6364

First Saturday

9:00AM
Clayton County Emergency
Management Building
7496 N. McDonough St., Jonesboro
George White, KN4NG (770)361-6850

Second Tuesday

7:00PM
Walton EMC
3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville
Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA
(770)498-7759

Second Saturday, Odd Months

CA VEC
8:30 AM
Stone Mountain Methodist Church
5312 West Mountain St.
Stone Mountain
Bob Verone, W4ETN
(770)978-3179

Third Saturday

CA VEC
9:00AM
Marietta First United Methodist Church
Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave
Marietta
Larry Huff, WA4CQZ
(770)955-3171

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC
7:00 PM
United Way Service Center
6279 Fairburn Road, Douglasville
Jessie Clower, KB4WFK
(770)942-6466.

Fourth Friday

W5YI VEC
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82.5 PL

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

2 Meter Repeater

147.075(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

Backup Repeater Site

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

Remote Receive Sites

Bogan Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross
Lanier Mountain, Snellville

70 Cm Repeater

444.525(+) MHz
82.5 PL

Main Repeater Site

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

Remote Receive Sites

Under construction
Bogan Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross

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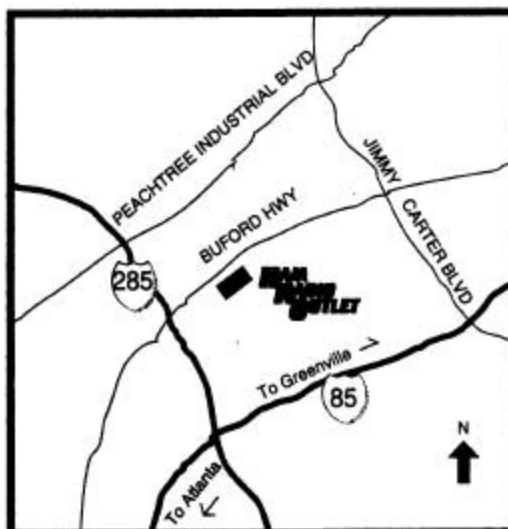
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Mark Justice

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half-finishes projects, etc) and then have a small committee sort them into bags and mark them for sale from anywhere from \$.50 to \$5. (Sound good? We need the "goodies", and we need the "committee"...) Andrea, KG4IUM, suggested that we also hold a "kid's auction" of toys, and she'd like to be the auctioneer. Eddie, WD4JEM, thought it might be fun to auction off "Elmers". (Do you think they'd shampoo carpets...??) Joe, AD4PZ, suggested that some items might simply be supplied with a price tag and sold a la "garage sale", rather than auctioned.

I've sent emails to the presidents of 7 of our neighboring ham clubs, inviting their participation, and have solicited a number of local businesses for donations. Some of you are sharing some really good ideas and enthusiastic expressions of expectation, saying, "It's gonna be a lot of FUN!" What we need now is your HELP. Bidding should start on the 20th of October at 11 AM, but it's going to take a lot to get everything organized before that FUN begins. Please call me at (770) 449-0369, or email me at af4fo@arrl.net if you can help. Throw some of your odds and ends from your "junque" box into a bag and bring it to the next meeting, OK? Volunteer to help get things organized on the morning of October 20 before the bidding begins. (VERY important!!) Offer to serve up soft drinks and cook hot dogs. Remember, not only does this promise to be a FUN event, it's for a good cause, as well. All proceeds will go into our scholarship fund. So please, save my scrawny neck one more time and help me make it happen.

Doggone it, I went and babbled too long again this month, didn't I? Sorry about that. One of these months, I'll just write, "Hi... hope to see you at the next meeting." (Right!) Well, y'all take care. And I really DO hope to see you at the next club meeting on September 20. (And feel free to bring some of your ideas to the exec meeting, too.... on the 10th, at the No. 1 Super Chinese Buffet on Hwy 120... eat at 6, meet at 7) Until next month, this is AF4FO, signing clear. 73

Editor's Note: I hope that Susan continues to "babble" on with each article. Her enthusiasm and leadership is extraordinary!

From the GARS way back yonder history desk...

"Return with me now to those thrilling days of yesteryear....from out of the past come the thundering hooves of the great horse Silver"..... whoa, whoa, wrong story!

Guess who's coming back to visit Georgia? It's not Oglethorpe. It's not Lafayette. It's not Pulaski. And thank goodness... it's not Sherman!

No... it's Robert W. Busch. Better known as Bob WD5BKD. Bob is a former GARS member who moved north a decade or so ago. He checked into the GARS 25th Anniversary Special Event in June. He and I have had a weekly schedule on 20 meters almost every week since then. Some other members have been aboard as well.

Anyhow Bob is anxious to see some of his old friends in GARS. One night during the weekly schedule our president, Susan AF4FO, told him about the GARS auction on October 20th. Then I told him that the GARS meeting was on the 18th. Well that did it, BOB IS COMING TO GEORGIA.

Bob will be flying in from Hazlet NJ on Delta on the 18th. I'm taking Thursday and Friday off to host Bob and his XYL while they are in the area. They will be flying back on Monday the 22nd.

Bob is very excited about seeing everyone. And I must admit I am really enjoying this adventure also.

So be sure to make plans now to be at the meeting on the 18th and at the Auction on the 20th to welcome Bob back to Georgia and especially to GARS.

73 de K4HJH
Harry

Gold Rush 2002

On the second weekend in October the Northeast Georgia Council of the Boy Scouts of America will host their bi-annual Gold Rush Jamboree at Sandy Creek Park in Athens. The amateur radio station run by GARS at the 1999 Gold Rush was such a hit that we were one of the first to be invited back for the first event of the new millennium. Once again we have been granted the privilege of using K2BSA, the official call sign of the Boy Scouts of America.

K2BSA will be on the air Friday, October 12, exclusively for GARS members, invited guests and those scouts who have their ticket. At 9:00 Saturday morning the events start and four thousand scouts will have an opportunity to see what ham radio is all about. They'll view a display set up by Victor and Carol Gann, practice their Morse code, and have a chance to sit down with a ham at one of five working stations. Venture Crew 73 will be there to help and to operate and you're invited too. We'll need relief operators to work the pile ups and answer all the questions that 8 to 18 year olds are certain to ask.

There's more to Gold Rush than ham radio. Scouts will be climbing on the climbing wall, participating in an early American village, running obstacle courses and doing other scout activities including building the longest rope bridge you've ever seen (300 yards plus??). The military helicopter will arrive Saturday morning and there'll be other exhibits as well. There's a stage show and fireworks set for Saturday night.

You can come on Friday and camp for the weekend if you like or come for the day (or part of it) on Saturday. Food will be available at the staff kitchen (more on cost later) or you can bring your own or buy it at the concession stand. If you'd like to help contact me at ewhatley@bellsouth.net or af4fg@arrl.net. A map to Sandy Creek and other pertinent information is on the GARS web site.

GARS ELMERS

Many of us Hams got interested in the hobby as a result of some influence and experienced Ham had on us. In my case, a ham stopped at my dealership back in the mid-80's to arrange a repair on his outboard motor. He had a funny looking license tag on his yellow Corvette and I inquired what it was. Little did I know, he would be my "Elmer".

The GARS organization is blessed with a lot of talented members that are willing to share their knowledge. The following list is made up of those individuals willing to serve as Elmers. Hopefully, this list will grow, and in time, maybe we'll get more who are willing to add a particular area of expertise.

KF4KSE David Moon (770) 279-9924 mobile radio installation
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 K4MJK Mike Kovak
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 K4HBI Mike Swiderski (770) 449-0369

If you'd like to be a GARS Elmer, please email the editor of the Garzette at N1TOQ@arrl.net or call 678-339-2605.

Dog Show Pictures August, 2001

Thanks to K4WEC Ike, and KA4KKF, David for their pictures.

See the entire album at

Www.phase.com/k4wec/dog_show_august_2001



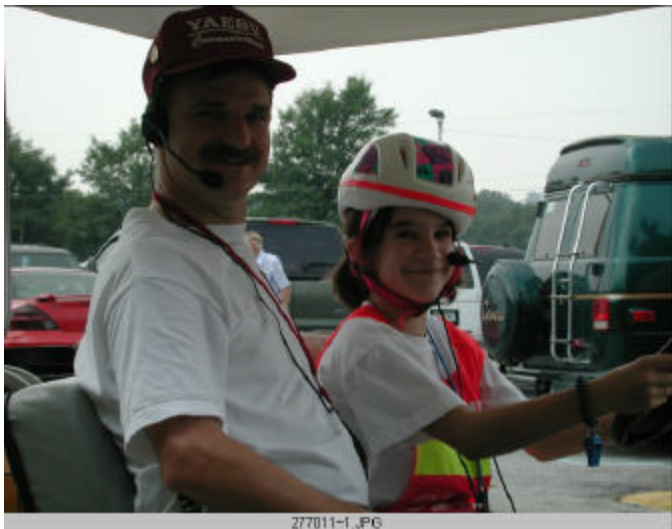
Harry, K4HJH, looks for parking violations.
"This is a zero-tolerance area for crooked parking."



Buddy, KE4YZS guards the rear of the hall and anxiously awaits a special delivery from the Waffle House.



Earl, AF4FG "barks out" orders to the troops.
"Keep moving Marty and get away from those whippets!"



Andrea, KG4IUM and her dad Scott, KF4PWI on patrol at the dog show. Andrea decided that she wants a golf cart for Christmas (equipped with 2 Meters of course!).



Marty, KE4MLH, Joe, AD4PZ, Ron, WE5O and Kevin Biddle sharing a light moment. Joe, are those legs insured with Lloyd's of London?

On the Air with Harry Holmes, K4HJH

By: Harry Holmes, K4HJH

I was born in Atlanta in 1938. I graduated from Marist High School in 1956. At that time Marist was located on Ivy Street next to Sacred Heart Catholic Church and it was a non-boarding Military School. I had been working part-time in the service department at a local Studebaker dealer during my last two years of high school. After graduation I worked there full-time until I joined the U.S. Navy. I was in the Navy for 12 years. I served on Cruisers, Repair Ships, an LST and several types of service craft. Most of my service was in the far east. I also spent a year on Shore Patrol in Sasebo Japan. I served two tours in Viet Nam in the "Brown Water Navy". I was an Engineman.

Since I was about 12 I have had an interest in radio. My first SWL experience was on a Philco console tube radio with a piece of wire thrown out of the window. It was exciting to hear foreign broadcasts. I also built a crystal set and a telegraph key. I later bought a Halicrafters Receiver. I did not know any hams, but I read about them and knew they helped people and talked to people all over the world. I didn't get a lot of encouragement to pursue licensing. I guess that is one reason I want to share ham radio with everyone I meet. Anyhow I joined the Navy and sorta forgot about ham radio for a long time.

In 1999 I met a ham who worked where I worked at CDC. He was very excited to tell me about the Technician No Code License. I don't even remember his name and he never told me his call. That was the only time I ever saw him. A chance meeting re-kindled the fire. I went to the ARRL Web-Page and learned more. I was amazed at all Ham Radio had to offer. I talked to my son and when I asked if he was interested he got as excited as I was. We found out that GARS has a Tech Class and enrolled. We also went to Howie Gould's Code Class. Thus began a life-long adventure.

I have three hams that I look upon as instrumental in me becoming a ham and helping me continue to learn more about the hobby, Winn N1TWX, Howie

W9HG and Mike K4HBI. They are my ELMERS. I have learned much from these friends and they have been a source of great encouragement. At my age it's nice to have friends who don't think you ask stupid questions, and more importantly don't think you are childish or goofy when you get excited about a new contact or something new you have learned.

Joshua and I got our Tech No Code tickets at the same time. He was 18 and I was 60. We had a Standard HT to monitor the GARS repeater and later bought 2 VX5-Rs. After we got our tickets we would monitor the morning drive time on the GARS repeater. Sandy KF4BUW, Mike WA4MJZ, and Howie W9HG(then W4NVF), were some of the folks we would hear. After a few days I thought I knew how to break in and make a call. So I told Josh I would call him. Well the next day during a break I said, "this is KG4FBO", and Mike said, "go ahead KG4FBO". I called Josh KG4FBP told him to have a good day that I loved him and then thanked Mike. Then I heard "W4WKP". He said, "it is nice to hear a father tell his son he loves him". I went back to W4WKP "Johnny" and told him I appreciate him saying that. I did not know who Johnny was then. I sent him an email to let him know he was my first contact besides Josh. So Johnny Ferron W4WKP was my first contact. That was in October 1999. At the Alford Memorial Hamfest the next month I was talking to Lowry KM4Z at the Gwinnett ARES table and heard someone say, "Hi Harry". It came from the GARS table to my right and it was Johnny W4WKP. I was amazed that he knew my voice after hearing me on the radio only once. But all who know him are aware of this great skill he possesses.

I got my General Class License in April 2000 and am studying hard for the EXTRA exam. I Have an IC 706 MkII G in my car, "The Batmobile", and an Alinco DX 70 in my shack at home. I also have a Yaesu FT-817. I enjoyed 10 meters while it was open a few months ago and hope that during fall and winter 10 meters will improve. I also enjoy 2 meters, 17 meters, 20 meters. and 40 meters.

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On the Air with Harry Holmes, K4HJH (Continued from page 11)

mixed-phone and look everyday for my certificate to arrive from the ARRL. I have worked 93 DXCC entities mixed-phone and have 81 confirmed. Quite a few of these contacts were mobile. I have worked W1AW twice mobile on 20 meters and once from the shack on 17 meters. I work only phone, but have promised Bill KG4FXG that I'll get my code skills up and begin working some CW. I am very interested in QRP and after I get my DXCC, will spend a lot more time QRPing with CW.

It is hard to say what my most interesting QSO was, because all of them are. But to be in a rag-chew with hams in Australia, England, New Zealand, and California all at the same time at 4 am local time is way up there on the list. The QSOs I would most like to make at this time are the ones I need to complete my DXCC. HiHi.

What I like most about GARS is that everyone is treated like family from the very first day. It's kinda like coming home when we get together.

I am married and my wife Susan is not interested in Amateur Radio but supports me 100%. I am very fortunate to be her husband. I have two great children Joshua W4JDH who is 19 and is a computer guru, and Rebekah who is now Mrs Phillip O'Brien and 21. They are newly married and not interested in being hams at this time. My mother Mary lives on Sweetwater Rd, she is 81.

The most fun I have had in ham radio is hard to say, because it is all fun. But the recent Tybee Island Lighthouse Expedition that Susan, Josh and I went on with "Team Swiderski" and the North Fulton Amateur Radio League takes the prize. I'm not going to Disney World in August 2002, I'm going back to the Tybee Lighthouse Event.

I have been a contractor at CDC for 5 years and have been the Security Manager at the Chamblee Campus for the past 3 years.

My advice to new hams is join a local club, get involved, attend the meetings, talk on the nets, do not

be afraid to ask questions and listen. But most of all have fun and enjoy people.

73 de K4HJH, "High Jinx Harry", the moniker given me by my friend Gordon KF4OKA, from beautiful downtown Rockdale County!

A note from KG4IUM Andrea, 'On the Air' Author

I was very busy this month, getting used to school again, and I was afraid that I would not have time to interview anyone for my monthly article 'On the Air.' When I asked Mr. Harry if I could interview him, and told him when I was available, he told me a date that, at the time, would work for both of us. Then, I couldn't do it that day because of homework, etc. So, I sent Mr. Harry the questions I would be asking him, and I got a whole article

Silent Key

It is with great regret to announce that Evelyn K. Evans, KC4ZAW past away on July 25, 2001. She held an Extra Class license and was a resident of Pelham, Alabama. I earned my license as result of encouragement from Evelyn and my father, Jack KC4PZA.

We will miss her.

Dwight Evans KG4FJF

Editor's Note— On behalf of GARS and the Amateur Radio Community, I'd like to express our sympathy to the Evans Family.

Metro– Atlanta Repeater Frequencies 1.25 and 70cm Bands

Submitted by Paul McInnish, K4BET

1.25 METERS

FREQUENCY	SHIFT	PL	CALL	LOCATION	OWNER
224.020	-		WB4JEH	Conyers	
224.160	-	100.0	KC4JNN	Sasafras Mtn	NGAA
224.280	-		N4BLR	Atlanta	MAARS
224.300	-		KU4PE	Temple	
224.340	-	146.2	W4DOC	Atlanta	Atlanta Radio Club
224.440	-	107.2	N4NEQ	Marietta	Big Shanty RG
224.480	-		KB4PRH	Norcross	
224.500	-	100.0	N4MTA	Marietta	
224.520	-	100.0	KE4AIS	Pine Log Mtn	Paulding Amateur Radio Club
224.600	-		N4GIS	Cartersville	NGDRT
224.620	-		W4PME	Atlanta	MATPARC
224.700	-		W4TIY	Dallas	Paulding ARC
224.760	-		W4BOC	Stone Mtn	Alford Memorial ARC
224.820	-		KK4C	Atlanta	MATS
224.860	-	100.0	KC4JNN	Alpharetta	NGAA
224.880	-	77.0	WD4LUQ	Yorkville	
224.940	-		N4GIS	Waleska	NGDRT
224.960	-	100.0	PT2RFL	Sweat Mtn	Georgia International RA

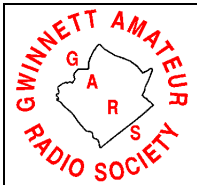
70 CENTIMETERS

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442.200	+		N3APR	Decatur	
442.500	+	77.0	AB4KN	Fayetteville	
442.550	+	151.4	WB4JEH	Conyers	
442.875	+	100.0	PT2RFL	Sweat Mtn	Georgia International RA
443.175	+		N4GIS	Waleska	
443.200	+		KD4APP	High House Mtn	
443.250	+		KC4JNN		NGAA
443.650	+	100.0	KE4ZV	Atlanta	
443.700	+		W4TIY	Paulding	Amateur Radio Club
443.700	+		KM4BA	Marietta	Hewlett-Packard ARC
443.850	+	103.5	K4PLM	Cherokee	Pine Log Mtn ARC
444.000	+	103.5	WB4QDX	Lawrenceville	
444.050	+	118.8	N4NEQ	Marietta	
444.150	+		W4PME	Atlanta	MATPARC
444.200	+		WB4LBM	Decatur	
444.250	+		W4BOC	Stone Mtn	Alford Memorial ARC
444.325	+		KM4BA	Marietta	Hewlett-Packard ARC
444.400	+		KC4LU	Lawrenceville	
444.450	+	146.2	W4DOC	Chestnut Mtn	Atlanta Radio Club
444.525	+	82.5	W4GR	Snellville	GARS
444.575	+	88.5	N4UOX	Douglasville	Douglass Co "Sweetwater" RC
444.600	+		KD4YDC	Fayetteville	
444.625	+		N4WQ	Atlanta	
444.675	+	77.0	N4YTR	Peachtree City	
444.700	+	77.0	WD4LUQ	Dallas	
444.750	+	162.2	KC4ELV	Conyers	
444.775	+		N4NEQ	Marietta	Big Shanty RG
444.825	+	146.2	W4DOC	Atlanta	Atlanta Radio Club
444.975	+		WA4YNZ	Atlanta	

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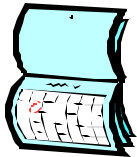
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Upcoming Events

Committee Chairs:

Let's fill this feature with dates and events to keep GARS members looking ahead!



September 2001

Executive committee
20th GARS Club Meeting

October 2001

Executive committee
18th GARS Club Meeting
**20th Auction at Briscoe
Field**

November 2001

Executive committee
15th GARS Club Meeting

December 2001

Executive committee
GARS Holiday Party

January 2002

Executive committee
17th GARS Club Meeting
26th Tech Fest

February 2002

Executive committee
21st GARS Club Meeting

Meeting Time
&
Location

3rd Thursday, 7:30 PM
Central Baptist
Church,
Gwinnett Drive,
Lawrenceville
Talk in 147.075(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone